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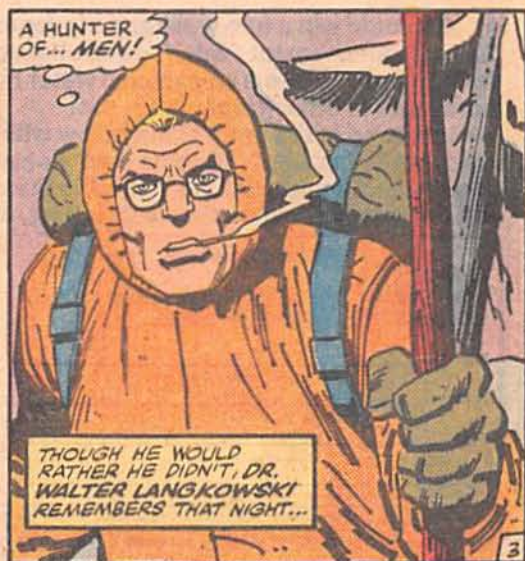
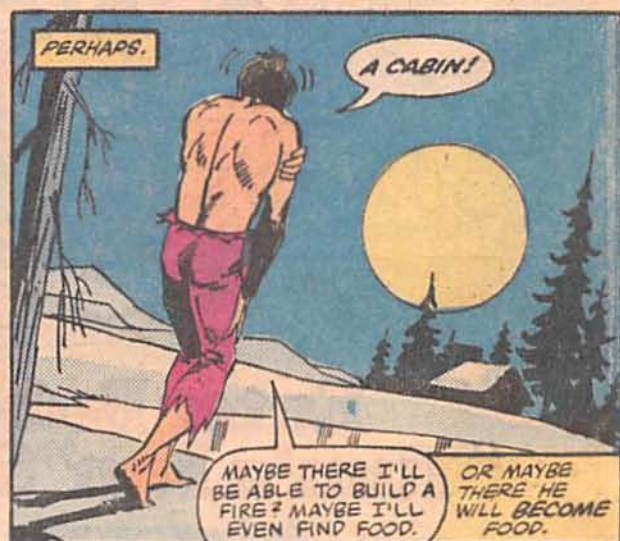
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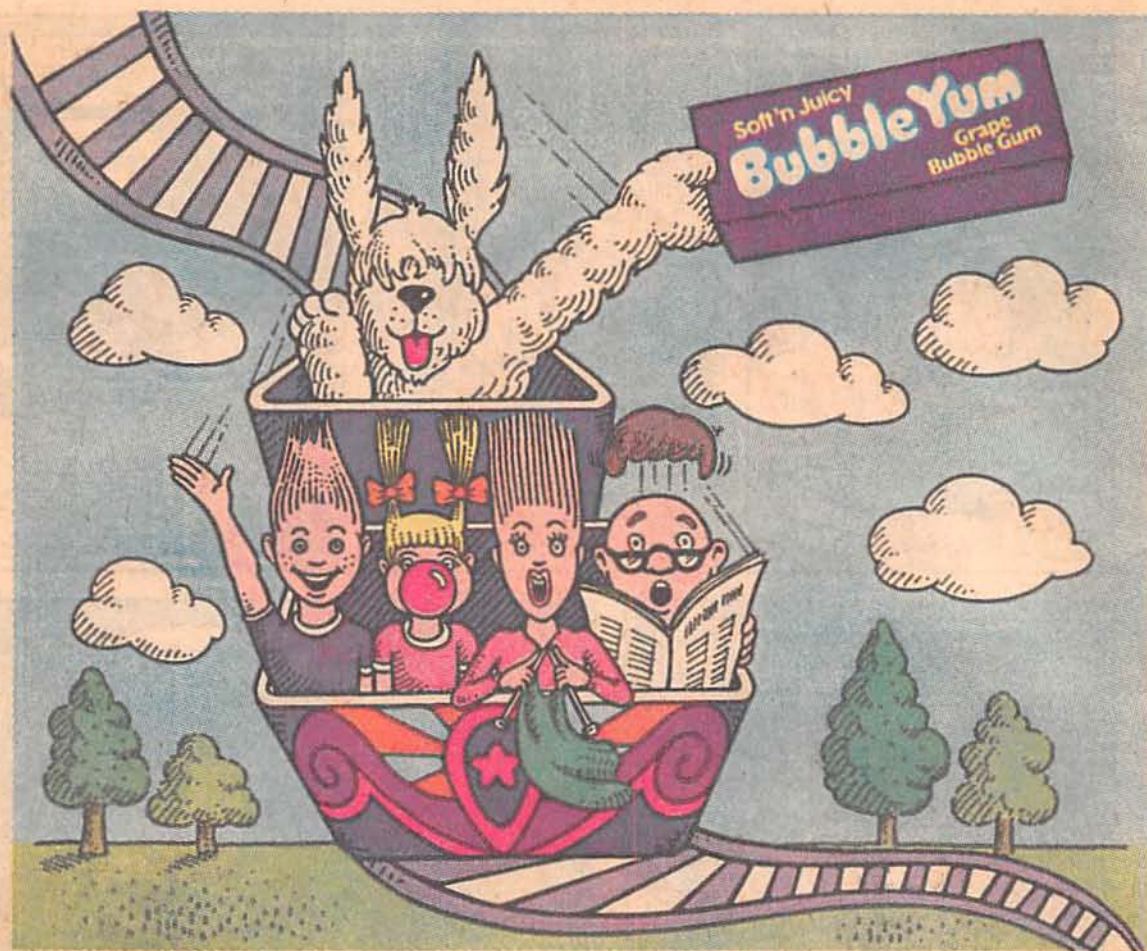










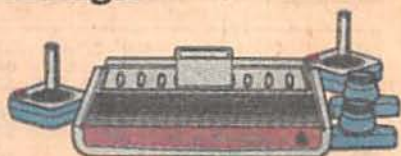


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HE HAD BEEN CAMPING WHEN HE HEARD THE SCREAMS.

YES, SCREAMS. HUMAN VOICES RAISED IN TERROR...



...AND SOME SAVAGE, SNARLING, GUTTURAL WAIL TORN FROM NO HUMAN THROAT.



AS HE RAN, HE BEGAN TO MOUTH A SILENT MANTRA...

...SYLLABLES OF POWER WHICH MOVED HIM TOWARDS A GREATER POWER WITHIN HIM...



...POWER WAITING TO BE RELEASED!



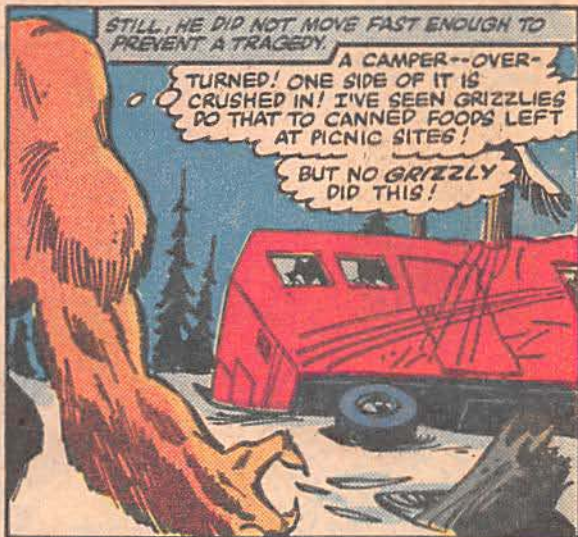
ONCE AGAIN, SASQUATCH STRODE THE FROZEN NORTH.



STILL, HE DID NOT MOVE FAST ENOUGH TO PREVENT A TRAGEDY.

A CAMPER--OVERTURNED! ONE SIDE OF IT IS CRUSHED IN! I'VE SEEN GRIZZLIES DO THAT TO CANNED FOODS LEFT AT PICNIC SITES!

BUT NO GRIZZLY DID THIS!



AS HE MOVED WARILY CLOSER, SOMETHING ELSE CAUGHT THE CANADIAN SUPER HERO'S EYE.

BLOOD ON THE SNOW!

HUMAN BLOOD!

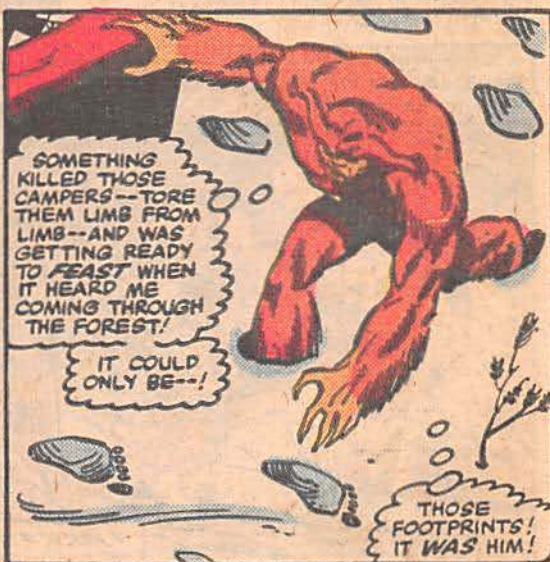


WHAT REMAINED OF THOSE WHO'D BEEN DRAGGED FROM THE CAMPER LAY BEFORE HIM.

IT WAS DIFFICULT TO TELL HOW MANY THERE'D BEEN.

SOMETHING KILLED THOSE CAMPERS--TORE THEM LIMB FROM LIMB--AND WAS GETTING READY TO FEAST WHEN IT HEARD ME COMING THROUGH THE FOREST!

IT COULD ONLY BE--!



THOSE FOOTPRINTS! IT WAS HIM!



NOT LONG AGO DR. WALTER LANGKOWSKI WAS A MEMBER OF A TEAM OF CANADIAN SUPER-AGENTS KNOWN BY THE CODE-NAME, ALPHA FLIGHT!



THREE OF THE TEAM HAD JOINED UP WITH TWO X-MEN-- WOLVERINE AND NIGHTCRAWLER-- TO COMBAT AN UNHOLY TERROR CALLED THE WENDIGO! \*

\*FLASHBACK COURTESY OF X-MEN #139 & 140--AL.



AN EATER OF HUMAN FLESH, THE WENDIGO WAS NEARLY INVINCIBLE. THOUGH BEATEN, HE WOULD HAVE RISEN AGAIN AND AGAIN...



...HAD NOT SHAMAN REVERSED THE CURSE OF THE NORTH WOODS AND MADE THE MONSTER HUMAN ONCE MORE.



VINDICATOR SHOWED ME PLASTER CASTS HE'S MADE OF THE WENDIGO'S TRACKS.

THEY WERE THE SAME AS THOSE BACK AT THE CAMPSITE.

SO A NEW WENDIGO STALKS AGAIN--



"--A SUPERNATURALLY-SPAWNED CREATURE WHOM, I'M TOLD, ALMOST MANAGED TO SLAY THE INCREDIBLE HULK A FEW YEARS BACK." \*

\*HULK #162 180 & 181--AL.



NOT A COMFORTING THOUGHT, SINCE THE HULK EASILY BEAT ME! \*

WENDIGO'S KILLED -- BUT HE HASN'T EATEN. SOON HE'LL BE SO HUNGRY I WON'T SCARE HIM OFF.

THEN I'LL HAVE TO BATTLE TO KEEP MYSELF FROM BECOMING FOOD!

YET NOT ONCE DOES SASQUATCH THINK OF ABANDONING THE CHASE.

\*HULK ANNUAL #8--AL.



SAME CONTINENT, DIFFERENT  
COUNTRY, FURTHER SOUTH...

BY THE SIDE OF  
A DESERT LAKE,  
A CAVE.

WITHIN THE CAVE, A LABORATORY...  
BRUCE BANNER'S LABORATORY.

WITHIN THE LAB,  
A TRAGEDY.

I-I'M NO DOCTOR,  
BUT YOUR LIFE-  
SUPPORT COUCH  
SEEMS TO HAVE  
STABILIZED RICK'S  
CONDITION.  
BEREET.

HE'S STILL  
GREEN FROM  
GAMMA RAY  
POISONING,  
BUT HE'S NOT  
GETTING ANY  
WORSE.

THE BAG AT THE KRYLORIAN MAID'S  
HIP IS ACTUALLY A SPATIAL DIS-  
TORTER, CONTAINING FAR MORE  
WITHIN IT THAN IS EVIDENT FROM  
WITHOUT.

IT HAS  
PRODUCED THE  
SPACESHIP THAT  
BROUGHT BEREET  
TO EARTH, THE  
COUCH THAT KEEPS  
RICK JONES ALIVE...  
AND NOW THIS!

BEHOLD--THE  
STAR EYE!

THE WHAT--?  
HOW WILL THAT  
THING HELP  
CURE RICK?

IT WILL NOT. THE STAR  
EYE IS AN ENTERTAIN-  
MENT MODULE, ABLE TO  
CONTRIVE FICTIONAL  
NARRATIVES FROM WHAT-  
EVER SITUATIONS IT IS  
WITNESS TO.

IT'S A  
MOVIE CAMERA!

IN A  
MANNER OF  
SPEAKING.

THEN YOU STILL MEAN TO  
MAKE A FILM WHILE RICK  
LIES DYING?!

BETTY ROSS HAS SUFFERED  
MUCH IN THE PAST TWENTY-  
FOUR HOURS.

FIRST SHE WATCHED AS THE MAN SHE LOVES TRANS-  
FORMED INTO THE MONSTER MEN CALL HULK.

THEN SAW THE HULK BATTLE  
THREE BIZARRE MENACES  
FROM SPACE.

FINALLY, SHE STOOD HELPLESSLY  
BY AS RICK JONES, IN AN EFFORT  
TO BECOME A SECOND HULK  
TO AID THE FIRST, SUBMITTED  
HIMSELF TO A MASSIVE DOSE  
OF GAMMA RAYS.

RICK  
SUCCEEDED  
ONLY IN  
NEARLY KIL-  
LING HIMSELF.



NOW, WITH A DEATHLY ILL BOY ON HER HANDS, MILES FROM NOWHERE, BETTY FINDS SHE HAS TO DEAL WITH AN ADDED ALIEN AS WELL.



RICK, THIS SPACE-WOMAN SAYS SHE KNOWS YOU AND THE HULK INTIMATELY-- THAT SHE'S SHARED ADVENTURES WITH YOU IN THE PAST.

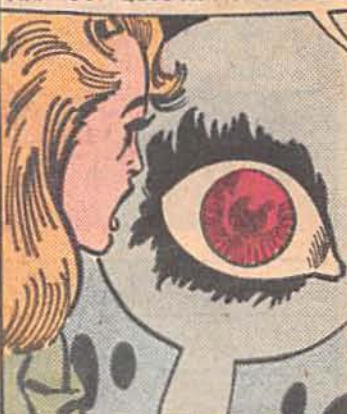
NEVER... SAW... BIRD CHICK... IN MY LIFE... BETTY.

TECHNICALLY, THE BOY SPEAKS TRUE, EARTHWOMAN.



THEN HOW CAN YOU CLAIM TO KNOW HIM?!

LOOK INTO THE STAR EYE... LOOK DEEP. THERE YOU SHALL FIND YOUR QUESTION ANSWERED.

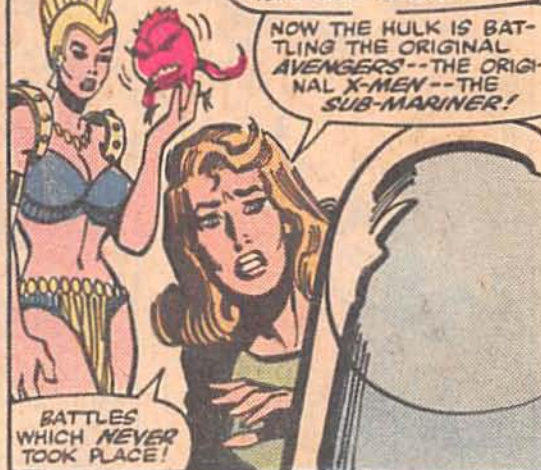


BETTY ROSS LOOKS. THE STAR EYE'S IRIS DILATES. ITS PUPIL GOES BLANK...

...THEN SHIMMERS, AND PROJECTED ON THE CIRCULAR SCREEN APPEARS A RECORD OF EVENTS THAT NEVER WERE.



RICK, THE HULK... AND YOU... BEING ATTACKED BY HORRID, TOAD-LIKE ALIENS!



NOW THE HULK IS BATTLING THE ORIGINAL AVENGERS--THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--THE SUB-MARINER!

BATTLES WHICH NEVER TOOK PLACE!

NO. BUT THEY MIGHT AS WELL HAVE, SO REAL DID THE STAR-EYE MAKE THEM APPEAR.



I TOLD YOU--IT WITNESSES REAL SITUATIONS AND FICTIONALIZES THEM.

UNDER MY TELEPATHIC DIRECTION, OF COURSE.

AND NOW YOU'RE ABOUT TO FILM THE DEATH OF RICK JONES?



YES. MY NEWEST "FILM" WILL BE A DOCUMENTARY.

BUT WE SHOULD BE GETTING RICK TO A HOSPITAL--A DOCTOR.

WHY? THAT WOULD BE ALTERING THE COURSE OF EVENTS.

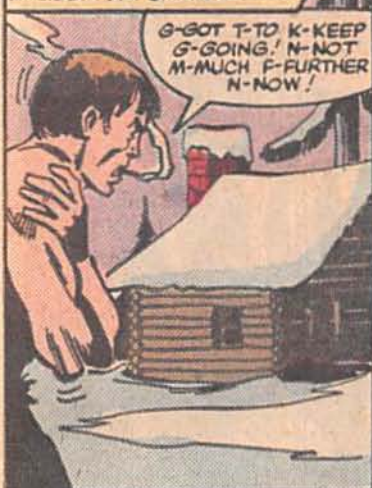


I HAVE COME TO EARTH IN PERSON BECAUSE I AM TIRED OF FILMED FICTION.

I FIND REALITY SO MUCH MORE EXCITING.



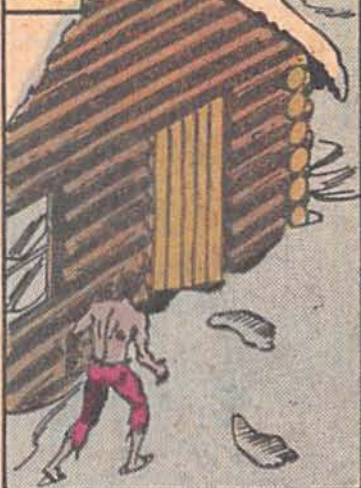
MEANWHILE, IN THE FROZEN NORTH, WE FIND A NEARLY FROZEN DR. BANNER.



THE CABIN STANDS EMPTY...



...ITS DOOR AJAR.



IT IS AS COLD WITHIN AS WITHOUT...



... AND DARKER, NOT HAVING THE BENEFIT OF STARLIGHT.



BANNER'S FALL IS FORTUITOUS, FOR IT BRINGS HIS HAND IN CONTACT WITH... A FLASHLIGHT!



AND IT WORKS!



BUT WHAT DOES IT ILLUMINATE?





HORRIFIED, BRUCE BANNER FALLS BACK AGAINST AN INNER DOOR. UNLOCKED, IT SWINGS EASILY OPEN.



THIS IS THE PANTRY.



THESE HAD ONCE LIVED HERE. THE MEAT HAS LONG SINCE BEEN GNAWED OFF THEIR BONES.



HEART POUNDING, MOUTH DRY, BREATH COMING IN SHORT RASPS, BRUCE BANNER BOLTS FROM THE CHARNEL CLOSET.

IT HAS NOT YET OCCURRED TO HIM THAT DESPITE ALL HIS HORROR, ALL HIS FEAR, THE EXCITEMENT HE IS EXPERIENCING HAS YET TO TRIGGER HIS CHANGE TO THE INCREDIBLE HULK.

WHY?



I-I-V-E GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE! WHAT-EVER KILLED THOSE POOR DEVILS...

...ATE THEM!



THEN HE REALIZES THAT A SHADOW HAS BLOCKED THE MOONLIGHT STREAMING THROUGH THE DOOR.

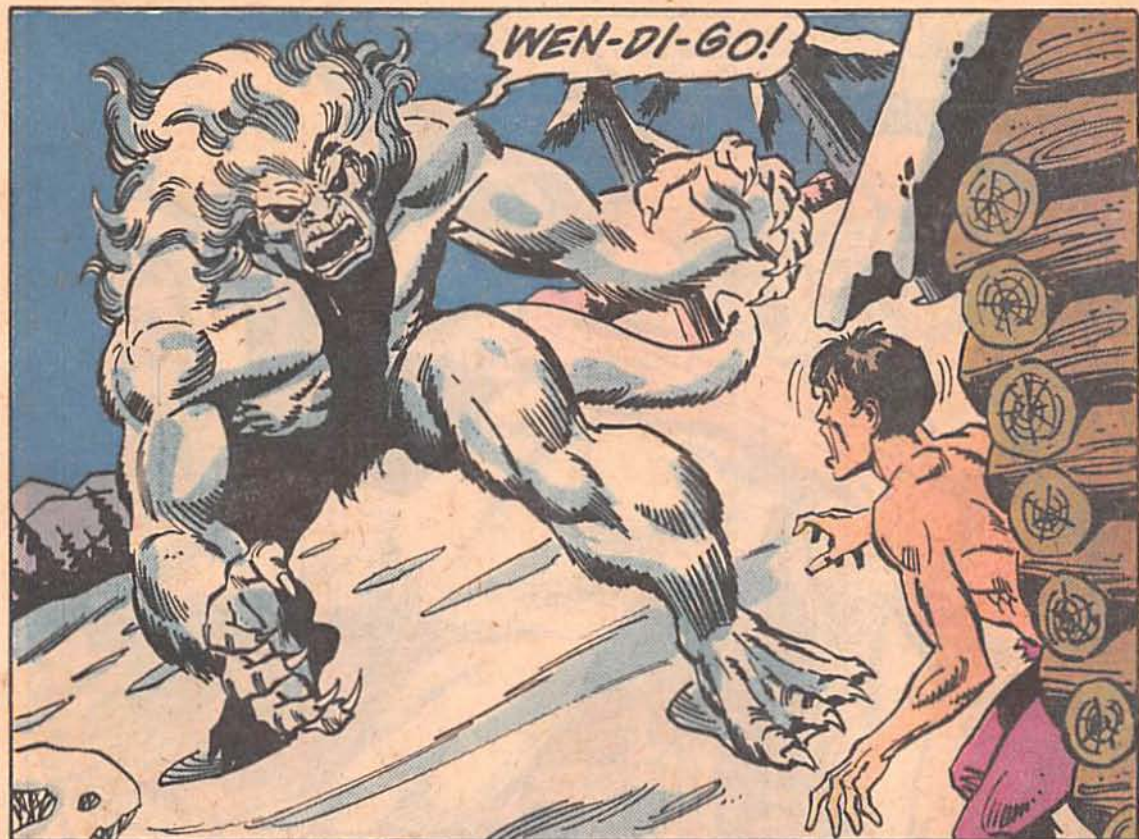
HE FEELS THE HOT, MOIST BREATH ON HIS SHOULDER.



HE TURNS...AND KNOWS TERROR TO THE CORE OF HIS BEING.









THE GENTLE-  
BEAST'S NAME IS...  
**SASQUATCH!**

SORRY, WENDIGO! NO  
HUMAN FLESH TONIGHT!  
TRY CHICKEN DELIGHT!

**WEN-DI-GO!**



EXCITEMENT, HORROR, FEAR, TERROR... BRUCE  
BANNER HAS EXPERIENCED THEM ALL IN THE  
SPACE OF A FEW, SHORT MINUTES...

...AND YET HE STILL  
HAS NOT CHANGED  
FROM MAN INTO  
MONSTER!

**WHY???**

GET OUT OF HERE WHILE YOU  
CAN, FRIEND! I DON'T KNOW  
HOW LONG EVEN I CAN  
HOLD THE WENDIGO!



**BANNER!  
BRUCE  
BANNER!**



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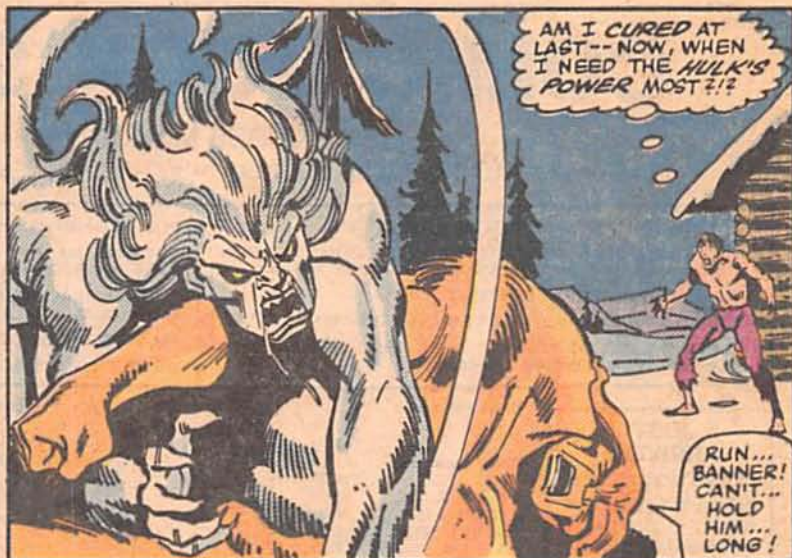
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ALL THAT GAMMA RADIATION ABSORBED INTO MY CELLS IN SO SHORT A TIME-- CAN IT HAVE SOMEHOW CHANGED ME?



AM I CURED AT LAST-- NOW, WHEN I NEED THE HULK'S POWER MOST?!!

RUN...  
BANNER!  
CAN'T...  
HOLD  
HIM...  
LONG!

RUN?! HOW FAR WOULD I GET?

I'D EITHER DIE OF EXPOSURE--OR BE DRAGGED BACK FOR DINNER!



I-I CAN'T DIE LIKE THAT-- I WON'T!

BLAST IT, I DESERVE BETTER AFTER THE LIFE I'VE LIVED!



IF I'M CURED, I DESERVE A CHANCE TO LIVE!



THAT DESIRE TRIGGERS SOMETHING WITHIN THE MIND OF BRUCE BANNER...

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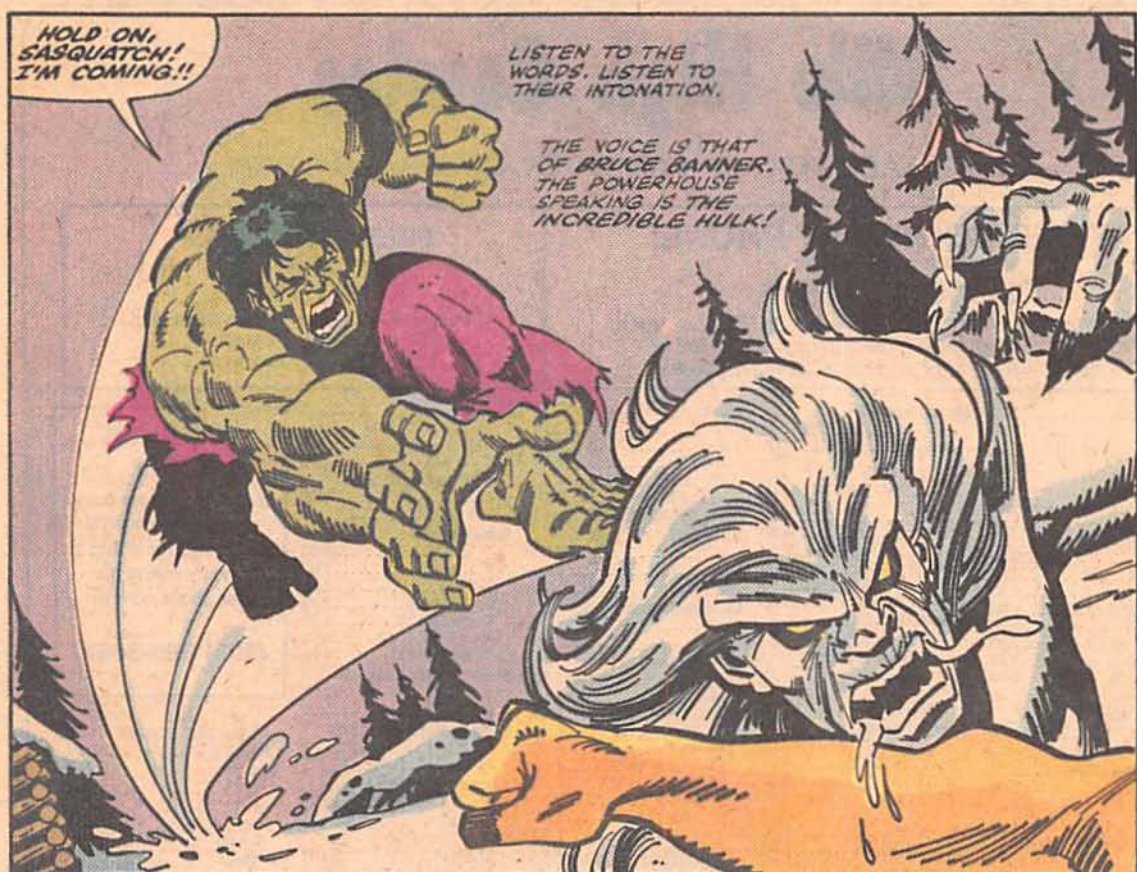
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THE HULK? SPEAKING LIKE BRUCE BANNER??

AND THINKING LIKE BRUCE BANNER, SASQUATCH!



THOUGH, I WONDER WHAT IT IS THAT GIVES BANNER THE CONFIDENCE TO HURL HIMSELF HEADLONG UPON THIS HOWLING HORROR?

PERHAPS, IT'S THE KNOWLEDGE THAT HE'S POSSESSED OF THE POWER OF THE INCREDIBLE HULK!

THE MIGHTIEST MORTAL ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH!



I-I MUST BE DREAMING! THE HULK IS A BRAINLESS BRUTE-- WELL, NOT EXACTLY BRAINLESS...

CHILDLIKE-- SUBJECT TO SAVAGE, UN-REASONING RAGES!

I KNOW, I BARELY SURVIVED ONE MYSELF.



YET NOW I'M HEARING THE GREEN GOLIATH ENUNCIATING LIKE THE FAMOUS PHYSICIST, HIS HAPLESS ALTER-EGO-- BRUCE BANNER!

SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED TO MAKE THE INTELLIGENT SIDE OF THE HULK'S SPLIT-PERSONALITY-- THE BANNER SIDE-- ASCENDANT!

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DRIVEN TO MADNESS BY HUNGER, FRANCOIS LARTISQUE MURDERED HIS COMPANIONS ONE, TWO AND THREE...

...AND ATE THEM.



THUS HE BECAME SUBJECT TO THE CURSE OF THE NORTH WOODS AND WENT FORTH INTO THE NIGHT A HOWLING HARBINGER OF HORROR...



...THE WENDIGO!

WENDIGO CAN'T REALLY DIE-- BUT HE CAN BE SUBDUED!

THAT WOULD GIVE MY TEAM-MATE--SHAMAN-- TIME TO GET UP HERE AND CAST A COUNTERSPELL!

IT'S UP TO THE HULK AND ME TO HOLD HIM!



IF ONLY I CAN MAKE THE HULK UNDERSTAND...

OF COURSE I CAN. I FORGOT-- I'M DEALING WITH AN INTELLIGENT HULK NOW, A HULK THINKING WITH BRUCE BANNER'S BRAIN!



BUT IS THAT GOOD OR BAD?

WENDIGO IS MOTIVATED BY BRUTE BLOODLUST! HE WON'T BE FIGHTING BY QUEENSBURY RULES-- HE'LL BE GOING STRAIGHT FOR THE JUGULAR!



WHICH IS WHAT WE'VE GOT TO DO IF WE'RE TO DEFEAT HIM!

IN FACT, THAT'S HOW WOLVERINE AND SNOWBIRD BEAT HIM LAST TIME-- BY BECOMING EVEN MORE ANIMALISTIC THAN WENDIGO!

THIS MAY BE A BATTLE WHERE BRAINS ARE A DEFINITE LIABILITY!

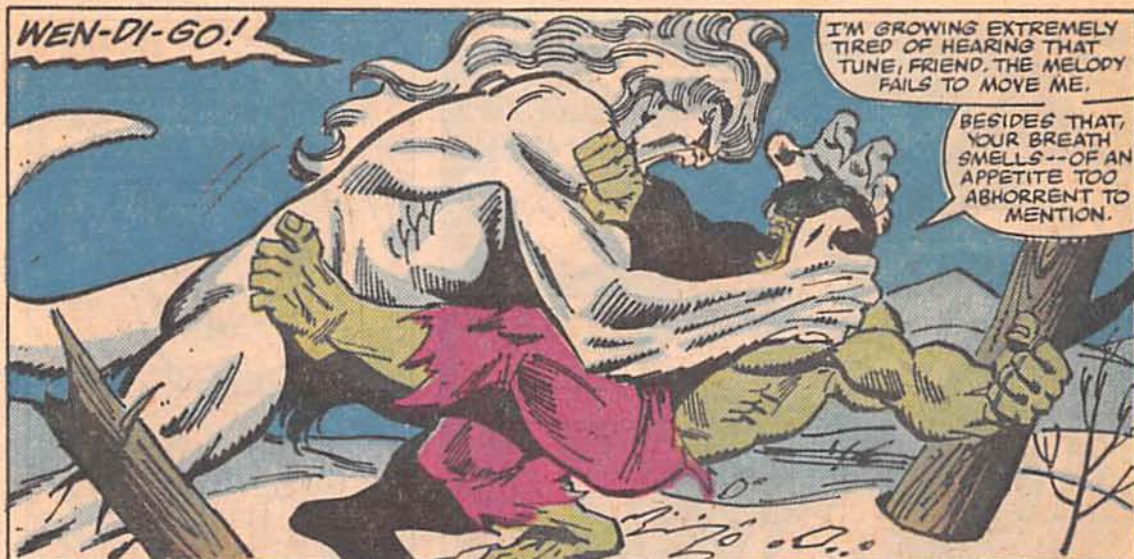


STILL, IT IS A BATTLE THAT MUST BE FOUGHT...

...AND WON!



WEN-DI-GO!

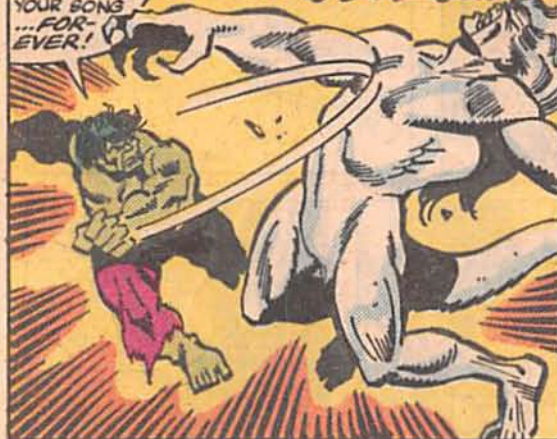


I'M GROWING EXTREMELY  
TIRED OF HEARING THAT  
TUNE, FRIEND. THE MELODY  
FAILS TO MOVE ME.

BESIDES THAT,  
YOUR BREATH  
SMELLS--OF AN  
APPETITE TOO  
ABHORRENT TO  
MENTION.

I THINK I'LL  
JUST SHUT  
YOUR MOUTH  
AND END  
YOUR SONGS  
...FOR-  
EVER!

**RRROWLLLLL**



THAT'S  
BETTER.

I LIKED THE  
CRESCENDO OF  
RAIN YOU  
REACHED ON  
THAT LAST  
NOTE.



IT WILL NEVER EQUAL  
LISTENING TO BEETHOVEN'S  
"ODE TO JOY"--

--BUT FROM YOU, IT'S  
A SOUND I WOULDN'T  
MIND HEARING AGAIN.



**KWUD!**

GETTING TO YOUR FEET  
AGAIN, EH?

WEN-DI-GO!

THAT'S GOOD! IT  
GIVES ME ANOTHER  
CHANCE TO KNOCK  
YOU DOWN!











HUNK? WHY SHOULD HULK LISTEN TO HAIRY MAN?

BECAUSE YOU'RE *NOT* THE HULK ANYMORE--MENTALLY, YOU'RE *BRUCE BANNER*...

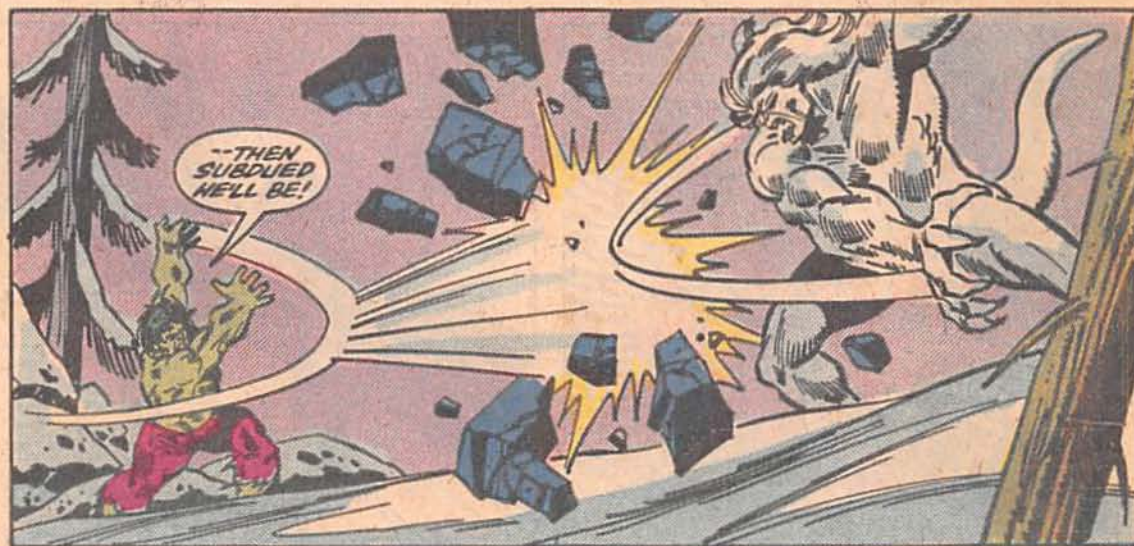
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BANNER? Y-YES, I'M BRUCE BANNER.

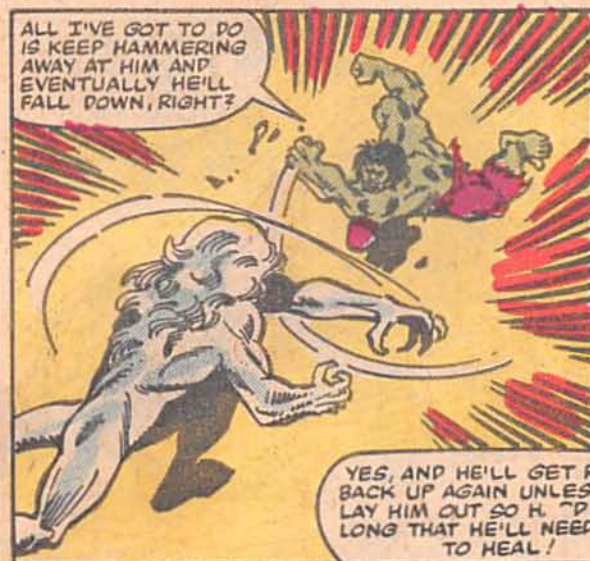


GOOD--REMEMBER THAT, AND LISTEN TO ME. THE WENDIGO *CAN'T* BE DESTROYED, BUT HE CAN BE SUBDUED LONG ENOUGH FOR SOMEONE I KNOW TO "CURE" HIM!

YOU WANT HIM SUBDUED, LANGKOWSKI--



--THEN SUBDUED HE'LL BE!



ALL I'VE GOT TO DO IS KEEP HAMMERING AWAY AT HIM AND EVENTUALLY HE'LL FALL DOWN, RIGHT?

YES, AND HE'LL GET RIGHT BACK UP AGAIN UNLESS WE LAY HIM OUT SO HARD AND LONG THAT HE'LL NEED TIME TO HEAL!



TIME WE'LL *DENY* HIM! *WE*, DR. BANNER! WE'VE GOT TO GO AT WENDIGO TOGETHER OR WE HAVEN'T A SNOWBALL'S CHANCE!









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# BULLPEN BULLETINS

## BEING EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF MARVEL COMICS...

...is like balancing a watermelon on your nose. It's hard to do, it can hurt a lot, and everyone thinks you're out of your mind for doing it. Sometimes, if it weren't for the honor of it all, I think I'd give it up. Nonetheless, on with the news...

## DOZENS FAIL TO BE KILLED!

...or at least to suffer severe pain. Two weeks ago, on December 9, to be exact, just before three P.M., most of the crew was gathered in the Bullpen to cut a cake in honor of Publishing Vice-President Mike Hobson's forty-fifth birthday! Suddenly, without warning, a stepladder slammed into a window only a few feet away! Glass sprayed everywhere, and startled Bullpeners, imagining that it was anything from an artillery attack to the end of the world as we know it, dived for cover. Fortunately, it seems that no one was seriously injured, though our brand-new editorial assistant, Franki Sienkiewicz, who was nearest the window at the time, was battered by flying debris and shaken up. Yes, that name Sienkiewicz (pronounced Sin-keh-veech) should sound familiar. Lovely Franki is the wife of renowned MOON KNIGHT artist Bill Sienkiewicz! Anyway, after we found out it was a stepladder that had crashed our party, speculation ran wild! Had the Dire Competition at last perfected their stepladder-cannon? Or was it the work of a sinister Foreign Power, trying to undermine American morale by striking at our comics creators? As it turns out, it was just the wind which blew the ladder from the top of a nearby skyscraper-under-construction, and not the work of nefarious Enemies. Nonetheless, it certainly made our party... different! I think Mike will remember this birthday.

## PRESENTING THE FIRST ANNUAL SHOOTER AWARDS!

By now all of you have stopped accidentally deleting your checks "1981" and are comfortably under-way with A.D. 1982, but as I write this it's late December 1981. As a matter of fact, I'm on an airplane at the moment, headed home to Pittsburgh. "Someplace Special," PA for the holidays but that's not important. What's important is that I've decided to give some special no-prizes, by my authority as E.I.C., to honor achievements of the past year. Some will be serious, some not so, and all are absolutely arbitrary on my part. The decisions of the judge are final. And now, the awards...

The Award for Quietest Superstar Penciller goes to Brent Anderson, who probably gives quiet lessons to Ninja on the side. Last time Brent said something, Daredevil was heard to say "Pardon me?"

The Award for Fastest Coloring Job goes to Christie Schoele for Avengers #216, "To Avenge the seconds," according to her because it was terminally late thanks to the scripper (me). Surely, she wouldn't let about something like that, would she? Nah.

The Award for Most Overnight Lettering Jobs goes to Joe Rosen who came through time after time because he's as dependable as the sunrise and the Hulk's temper. Fortunately for us, Joe's much more mellow and cooperative than the Hulk.

The Award for Worst Engraver's Error goes to Chemical Color for Ka-Zar #12 "Belasco..." in which an entire panel, a color-hold, was dropped out!

The Award for Saving Marvel's Bacon Schedulewise goes to Chemical Color for saving several dozen late issues with last-ditch, blitzkrieg separating and engraving efforts, and doing a darn good job despite the rush.

The Award for Best Singlehanded Complete Cover Overnight goes to Editor Allen Milgrom for Hulk #267, "Wrong End of the Rainbow." He writes, he draws, he inks, he edits—next he'll be selling the comics down on the corner of 56th and Madison.

The Award for Best Cover Copy goes to Jim Salicrup for Fantastic Four #238, "The Lady Is Not For Burning." That's the title, not the cover copy, by the way. You have to check out this prize-winning copy for yourself to believe it.

The Award for Father of the Year, though closely contested, goes to Ron Zalme, who provided every living person within range with cut-out-and-fold-up, do-it-yourself, scale-model, cardboard statues, which he designed and created, of his wife, himself and new baby Jessica.

The Award for Curmudgeon of the Year goes to staff curmudgeon (and editor, and genius) Dennis J. O'Neil—even though we all know it's just a front and underneath he's a sweet guy.

The Award for Best Telephone Greeting goes to CRAZY! Magazine editor, Larry Hama, who answers the phone, "CRAZY! What's your excuse?"

The Award for Toughest Editor goes to Louise Jones, who's a rather strong-willed and determined sort, and has a wicked left hook.

The Award for Rookie of the Year goes to newcomer Tom DeFalco. Sure, I know he's been in comics, editing even, since Don Perlin wore knickers, but he's new here...and already a star!

The Award for Miss—oops! I mean Mister Congeniality goes to Danny Crespi, fearless Production manager and all around nice guy.

The Award for Comeback of the Year goes to Jack Abel, who didn't let a serious stroke stop him. Showing enormous courage and determination, and cheerfully goaded on by his friends, he rehabilitated his paralyzed right hand to the extent that he's inking and drawing again—even better than before. Now, there is a man.

The Nuclear Terrorist Clone Honorable Mention goes to inker Bob Layton, who's a first-class artist and a first-class guy—for a radioactive mutant, that is.

That's all for now, but be warned! I'll probably give additional awards from time to time when the mood strikes me.

## THIS TOO, SHALL PASS...

This column, that is. We're out of space, it appears. Before I sign off, though, I want the world to know that I was just kidding about Bob Layton being a radioactive mutant. It was just a joke. Yes, I know it wasn't funny, but hey, how humorous could you be if you were in my place?

Watermelons are very heavy.

Best,  
*Jim Shooter*  
Jim Shooter

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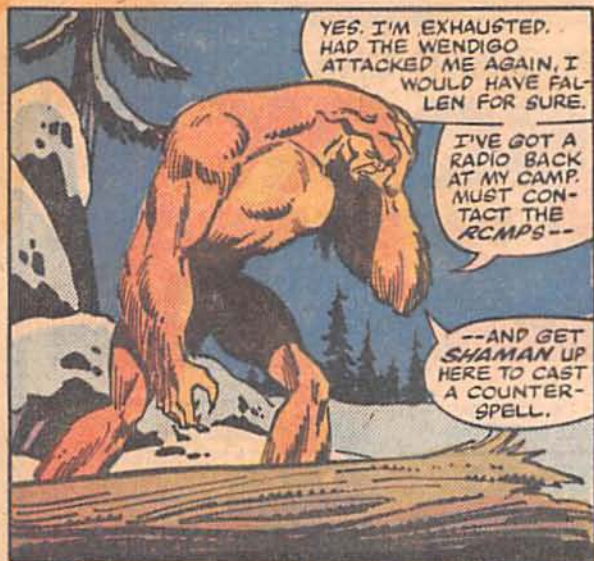
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I'VE GOT A RADIO BACK AT MY CAMP. MUST CONTACT THE RCMP--

--AND GET SHAMAN UP HERE TO CAST A COUNTER-SPELL.



YOU DO THAT, LANGKOWSKI.

I'LL STAND GUARD OVER OUR FALLEN HORROR HERE. SHOULD HE WAKE UP, I'LL LAY HIM LOW AGAIN.



BECAUSE, MISTER, THE INCREDIBLE HULK IS JUST GETTING WARMED UP!

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Dear Editor,

So the High Evolutionary dies in THE INCREDIBLE HULK #266?

This isn't going to be another letter protesting the killing-off of an interesting and significant character. No, it's a letter stating my belief that I don't really think the High E is dead. Sure, devolving one's self into primordial slime would seem to be a pretty sure means of committing suicide, but I'm equally certain that some future Marvel writer will, in time, think up some reason to resurrect him, and labor diligently to prove that he didn't really perish. Or perhaps his clone will show up. It won't matter if the reason is believable or not, the important thing is that the writer will realize that the rule is that comic book characters seldom stay dead.

This is not as it should be.

Death is permanent, and to "resurrect" the dead not only stretches the reader's credibility, but also makes a mockery of the dramatic or emotional impact that the reader felt when the character "died." Eventually, after being taken in a few times, the reader refuses to be fooled, and thus the story is diminished.

So I guess this actually is a protest over the killing of the High Evolutionary, after all.

Sure, I'm being hard on you guys. After all, maybe you do fully intend for him to stay dead, and maybe he even will. But I doubt it. Wait and see.

T.M. Maple  
Toronto, Ontario  
Canada

Dear Bill Mantlo,

Why?

What is your reason for killing off a major Marvel cornerstone character?

I thoroughly enjoyed THE INCREDIBLE HULK #265. There, you breathed new life and dimension into the Marvel Universe with your creation of the Rangers. The art of that issue was good. The story was a solid, well-paced, straightforward endeavor, with lots of good action.

Then, within the space of 30 days, THE INCREDIBLE HULK #266 comes out and plummets this mag's story qualities to depths equalled only by the insipid rape/love story of Ms. Marvel in the pages of AVENGERS ANNUAL #11.

The High Evolutionary springs from the same character mold as Reed Richards. He has never been singularly goaded by ego. He is/was a pursuer of knowledge. To state that he went mad because his power paled beside that of the Beyonders (whoever they are!) is ludicrous and stupid!

I hope this is not a permanent state of affairs. I hope that you will revive the High Evolutionary, and soon. Things like this only serve to further alienate old Marvelites like myself from Marvel. Please take note!

Larry Houston  
1422 Rockwell Road #203  
Glendale, CA 91205

Dear Bill, Sal & Al,

I purchased THE INCREDIBLE HULK #266 because it featured the High Evolutionary. I usually avoid this mag, regarding it as one of Marvel's less-creative commercial efforts exclusively for the bubble-gum brigade. Here's what I thought after reading it, however:

It was worth the 50 cents I paid for it. Part of the reason that I enjoyed it is that I didn't purchase it to record it, grade the condition, put it in a plastic bag and file it away as a "collector's item." I bought it to read.

And read it I did.

It's hard to convey to you how much I appreciated this issue for its simplicity, its straightforwardness. That probably means that this letter of praise should be "deceptively simple" to write. Really, at this point I've been at it almost half an hour. Okay, one by one: nice plot, nice script, nice art, nice colors.

Nice?

Nobody writes missives about "nice."

I give up. I'll make you a deal, Bill — I'll write the next issue of THE INCREDIBLE HULK; you write letters of praise like this to me. You're looking for a challenge after killing off the High Evolutionary, aren't you?

Douglas Cooke  
Rochester, NY 14617

Not an insurmountable challenge such as the one you propose, Doug. But thanks for the kind words.

Dear Marvel,

The Hulk as he now stands is in good hands... but is he human, or monster?

The Hulk is said to have a simple mind, often compared to that of a child. But children are surprisingly keen sometimes. They are quick to make decisions, they can tell if they are being duped, they are alert and observant, and sometimes they say very deep and meaningful things, often without being aware of it or meaning to. Is the Hulk truly, then, like a child?

Children, like the Hulk, often have temper tantrums. Children, like the Hulk, are often confused. Children, like the Hulk, need friends. The Hulk's friends recently realized that they are not such good friends to the Hulk after all (HULK #253). It took a very thought-provoking statement from the Hulk himself to make them realize this:

"Tanks! Bombs! Planes! Hulk will fight back as Hulk always fights back! But will Hulk's friends fight beside him? NO! Hulk's friends will stay where it is safe — they will not help Hulk!"

And the people who witness the Hulk's battles against bizarre villains often take the point of view that what they are seeing is a clash of monster versus monster, until the Hulk comes out with a statement like this one from the same issue:

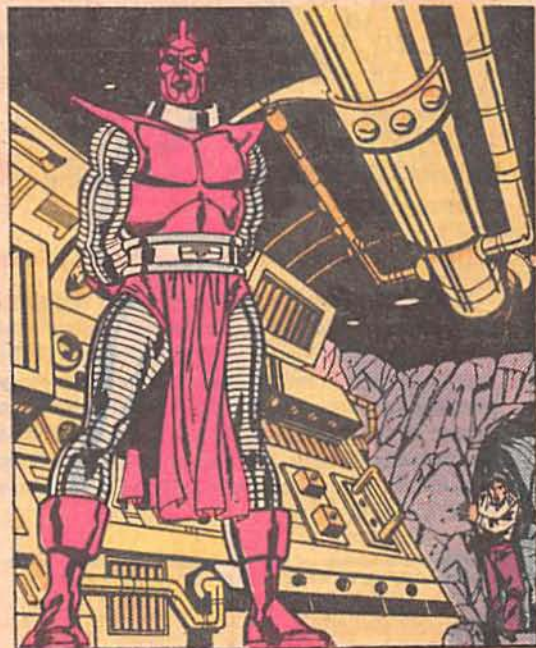
"Take a good look at elephant-man and cat-man, (Doc) Samson, and remember next time you call Hulk monster!"

Children have morals. So does the Hulk. He almost never smashes out unless he has been attacked first. Children often hold onto something that they want or wish to possess, and will work for that something. The Hulk has definitely shown himself capable of that kind of sense of purpose, as when he returned Jarella to her world for burial, and more recently when he stood beside his friends in their hour of need against the Changelings. Good, let's see more of this side of the Hulk.

Is the Hulk more like a child than a monster? Yes. Let's keep him that way.

Greg Hecht  
13 Jennie Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049

Child?... don't forget there is a man inside that monster, too, as you saw by reading the issue you hold in your hands. But man, monster, or child — be here next month for... ONCE A HULK, ALWAYS A HULK!





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